

**ABSTRACT**

Antisense compounds, compositions and methods are  
5 provided for modulating the expression of histone deacetylase  
2. The compositions comprise antisense compounds,  
particularly antisense oligonucleotides, targeted to nucleic  
acids encoding histone deacetylase 2. Methods of using these  
compounds for modulation of histone deacetylase 2 expression  
10 and for treatment of diseases associated with expression of  
histone deacetylase 2 are provided.